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| 1. X The amendment filed on 10/12/07 &11/01/07 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been: |   |                                |                            |                                       |  |
| a) ⊠   | entered.  |                                |                            |                                       |  |
| b) 🗀   | entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.  |                                |                            |                                       |  |
| c) 🗌   | disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue. |                                |                            |                                       |  |
| d) 🗌   | disapproved. See explanation below.   |                                |                            |                                       |  |
| e) 🗌   | entered in part. See explanation below.   |                                |                            |                                       |  |
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